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## Goat Hunt Closes near Cordova

**Cordova** – Registration permit hunt RG232 for mountain goats near Cordova will close at 11:59 pm on October 25 by emergency order of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

Aerial surveys indicated a population of 60 goats in registration permit area RG232. Maximum allowable harvest this year under the State of Alaska hunt was set at 2 goats. Reported harvest was 1 nanny. Each nanny counts as 2 goats toward the harvest quota. Although nannies can be harvested legally, ADFG encourages hunters to take only billies to conserve mountain goat populations. Goat hunters can get information on mountain goat identification online and at area offices. Hunters are reminded to turn in harvest reports for RG232 whether or not they hunted.

The closure affects only registration permit hunt RG232 in Unit 6(C). All other goat hunts areas in Game Management 6 are unaffected by this closure.